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MIDWEST LIVESTOCK REVIEW and RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

Slaughter steers and heifers generally were steady to 50¢ lower and at St. Paul were 50¢-\$1.00 lower. The declines sent prices to a new low since early 1957. Cows were steady to 50¢ lower but held mostly steady at a majority of markets. Stockers and feeders generally were steady to 50¢ lower. Mixed price trends marked a week of very uneven trading at the various hog markets. Barrows and gilts finished steady to 50¢ lower for the period at some centers and steady to 25¢ higher at others. Sows were mostly steady to 25¢ lower. In the Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota areas barrows and gilts were steady to 25¢ higher; sows steady to 25¢ lower. Trading also was uneven both for old and new crop slaughter lambs but prices in this division were mainly steady to 50¢ higher.

SLAUGHTER CATTLE AND CALVES - Slaughter steer and heifer prices continued to decline and reached a new low since early 1957. Further downturns in wholesale dressed beef prices and continued liberal marketings of fed cattle were principal factors influencing a decidedly bearish demand. Slaughter steer receipts at seven markets, with exception of one week in May of this year and another in July 1960, were largest for any week in the 7 years such records have been maintained. At the same time heifer marketings were as large or larger than any time in three months. At midwest terminals both slaughter steers and heifers were steady to 50¢ lower. At St. Paul steers were 50¢-\$1.00 lower and heifers 75¢-\$1.00 off. Weight continued to be a major price determining factor, steers over 1150# and heifers 1000# up generally being under more price pressure than lighterweights. Heifers 1000# down continued to sell as high or higher than same grades of steers over 1150#, indicating the popularity of 400-600# carcasses as compared with beef from 700# up. Cows were mostly steady but at St. Joseph and St. Louis were steady to 50¢ lower. Bulls were generally steady to strong. At St. Paul and St. Louis vealers sold steady to \$1.00 lower.

Bulk Choice 950-1300# steers brought \$21.00-23.00, some Choice 1300-1600# \$20.00-22.00. Good steers ranged \$19.50-22.00 but over 1100# shipments at \$21.25-21.75 often carried an end of Choice. In Chicago, Prime and mixed Choice and Prime 1050-1400# steers sold from \$22.50-25.00 with 1400-1600# from \$21.25-23.00 and a shipment Choice 1700# at \$20.25. A few high-Choice and mixed Choice and Prime heifers brought \$23.00-23.50 but majority Choice heifers went from \$21.25-22.75. Good and mixed Good and low-Choice \$20.50-22.00. Utility and Commercial cows bulked at \$15.50-17.50, Canner and Cutter \$14.50-17.00.

STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE AND CALVES - Stockers and feeders continued in seasonally moderate supply at midwest terminals. Medium and Good grades made up a large percentage of the supplies. Stock calves were in very limited number and loadlots of Choice calves in particular were scarce, although all classes were in seasonally moderate supply, a somewhat erratic demand prevailed. This unevenness was reflected in decided variations in price trends from one market to another. At Omaha, Kansas City and Denver prices were maintained on a steady basis and at Sioux Falls were steady to \$1.00 higher. However, at other terminals prices usually were weak to 50¢ lower and at St. Paul were weak to \$1.00 lower. Stockers of high-Good and Choice grades generally found more reliable outlet than did the lower grades. At most markets prices on fleshy feeder steers tended to reflect the lower trend for slaughter cattle. Thus, feeder steers over 800# showed most weakness at those markets which registered a decline.

Several shipments of Choice 550-600# stock steers brought \$26.50-28.00, one load Choice 519# \$28.50 and shipment Choice and Fancy around 540# \$29.00. Bulk Good and Choice 550-750# sold from \$22.00-26.00. Medium and low-Good stockers brought \$18.75-23.50. Good and Choice 800-1050# feeder steers sold from \$20.00-22.50, few loads Choice 750-800# \$23.00-23.50. At Omaha two loads mostly Good 804# went at \$22.40 and at St. Paul Medium 950# Holsteins landed at \$18.00. Good and Choice yearling heifers brought \$20.00-24.25. Good and Choice steer calves ranged from \$24.00-30.00, mostly \$29.00 down; same grades heifer calves \$21.50-27.00.

HOGS - Terminal Markets - Hog receipts at twelve terminal markets fell 13 percent under the previous week and also numbered slightly less than the same week a year ago. Mixed grade 190-270# barrows and gilts made up bulk of the offerings with 190-250# kinds comprising the big end of the receipts in the Eastern section of the Cornbelt. Another sizable volume of 270-300# butchers arrived at terminals in the Western part of the area. Uniform consignments of U. S. No. 1-2, 190-220# continued relatively scarce with these offerings generally finding a dependable outlet as order buyers competed rather aggressively for a share of the available supplies. Sow percentages continued to increase seasonally, that class making up 28 percent of the receipts at St. Paul and 8 - 20 percent at the other Western Cornbelt centers. Prices were highly uneven during the week. Upturns were rather general at the start of the week but by midweek lower trends had developed. Barrows and gilts finished the

period steady to 25¢ lower at some markets and steady to 25¢ higher at others. Exceptions however, were St. Paul where prices closed steady to 50¢ higher and Sioux City where prices wound up 25-50¢ lower. Sows closed the period largely steady to 25¢ lower except at St. Louis where an upturn of 25¢ was recorded.

At the close of the week U. S. No. 1 and 1-2, 180-240# barrows and gilts brought \$16.75-17.25, some No. 1 at Indianapolis up to \$17.50. Mixed U. S. 1-3, and 2-3, 180-250# sold at \$16.00-17.00, largely \$16.25-16.75. U. S. 1-3, 270-600# sows brought \$12.25-14.75, most sales \$12.75-14.75, limited number U. S. 1-2, 250-300# \$15.00-15.25.

Prices on feeder pigs held steady at Sioux City but were strong to 50¢ higher at St. Paul. Good and Choice 130-160# offerings at the latter market brought \$16.00-16.50, some mostly Good \$15.00-16.00 while Good and Choice 130-170# at Sioux City sold from \$15.00-16.00.

HOGS - Receipts in the Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota area at 295,000, were little different in volume than the previous week, but 13 percent larger than a year ago. Higher prices at the start of the week more than offset a weak to slightly lower trend on following days and as a result 180-240# barrows and gilts were steady to 25¢ higher for the period. Heavier weights steady to 15¢ higher. Sows made up about 14 percent of the receipts and closed steady to 25¢ lower.

On Friday, mixed U. S. 1-3 and 2-3 200-220# barrows and gilts, as well as a few 190-240#, sold from \$16.00-16.50, and few mainly No. 1 and 2 \$16.50-16.75. U. S. 1-3 270-400# sows went from \$13.25-14.75, mostly \$14.35 down, 400-550# sows \$11.75-13.65.

SHEEP AND LAMBS - Salable receipts at 12 terminals totaled 76,000 or 23 percent fewer than the previous week and slightly less than a year ago. Spring slaughter lambs comprised bulk of supply at most markets, although shorn old crop lambs accounted for half the supply at Fort Worth. Improved demand and price strength featured trading at some markets with sharply reduced numbers a principal factor stimulating competition. However, trading was very uneven and while slaughter lambs were mainly steady to 50¢ higher, instances 75¢ up, prices in a few instances were weak to 50¢ lower and at Fort Worth were 50¢-\$1.00 lower. Slaughter ewes were uneven, mostly steady to strong; feeder lambs generally steady.

Choice and Prime 80-105# spring slaughter lambs sold from \$17.50-19.50, bulk late sales \$18.00-19.00 and small showing \$19.60-20.00. Limited volume Choice and Prime 105-112# \$17.00-18.50, few 115-127# \$16.00-16.50; Good and Choice 75-105# \$16.50-18.50 at most points but \$15.00-16.00 at Fort Worth. A few Good spring lambs sold from \$15.00-17.00. Choice 90-114# shorn old crop slaughter lambs No. 1, 2 and fall shorn pelts and some shipments including a

few yearlings, \$14.00-15.50, Choice 90-105# No. 1 and fall shorn pelts \$15.00-16.00, latter price at Chicago; Good and Choice \$13.00-14.50, few loads mainly Good, No. 2 pelts, \$11.40-12.50. At Fort Worth Good and Choice 84-111# old-crop lambs bulked at \$10.00-11.00. Cull to Choice shorn slaughter ewes brought \$2.00-4.50, few \$5.00-6.00.

Good and Choice 50-85# spring feeder lambs sold from \$12.00-15.50, limited number Choice 45-70# feeders \$15.00-16.00 and at Sioux Falls two decks \$17.00. Medium and Good 60-70# spring feeders at Fort Worth brought \$10.50-11.50.

Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota sheep and lamb receipts at 14,300 head were 6 percent smaller than the previous week and 14 percent under a year ago. A steady to \$1.00 lower trend in the wholesale carcass trade was influential in effecting lower live prices despite smaller receipts. Compared with Friday of the previous week spring slaughter lambs sold steady to 25¢ lower, instances 50¢ off; shorn old crop lambs and slaughter ewes weak to 50¢ lower.

On Friday, Choice and Prime 80-95# spring slaughter lambs delivered to packing plants sold from \$17.50-18.50, limited volume \$19.00 in one section. Good and Choice 80-100# went from \$16.50-17.50. Choice 90-105# shorn old-crop slaughter lambs with No. 2 to fall shorn pelts, and including some yearlings, moved at \$13.50-14.00 and few to \$14.50. Good and Choice 105-115# mixed lambs and yearlings cleared from \$12.50-14.00. Cull to Good shorn slaughter ewes brought \$1.50-3.50.

RANGE AND FEEDLOT SALES

Note: Shrink on most range and feedlot sales none to 5 percent, mostly 4 percent f.o.b. some with short haul and 3 percent shrink. All sales for immediate delivery unless specified.

ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA AND UTAH - Direct trade on all classes of cattle, calves and slaughter spring lambs fairly active, steady.

Slaughter steers: Load Choice 1025# \$24.50 delivered, 170 loads high-Good to mainly Choice 850-1125# \$22.90-24.25 including some for delivery up to September 1; 60 loads Choice 1100-1350# \$21.50-23.50, mainly \$22.25-23.25; 75 loads Good including a few Choice 850-1175# \$21.70-23.00, mainly \$22.00-22.75; 13 loads Standard with a few Good 800-1075# \$19.50-21.25. Utah: 4 loads Choice 950-1000# \$22.00-22.25; 12 loads Choice 1075-1175# \$21.50-22.00.

Slaughter heifers: 25 loads Choice 750-900# \$22.75-23.50; 30 loads mixed Good and Choice 750-1000# \$21.50-22.75; load Standard and Good 1000# \$20.50. Utah: 9 loads Choice 800-950# \$21.50-22.00.

Stockers and feeders: Arizona - 155 Choice 399# steer calves \$27.20, Good and Choice 288# \$25.00. California: Steers, 4,000

Good and Choice 550-750# \$22.00-23.50 with 1,660 at \$23.00 for delivery up to early July; 475 mostly Good and Choice 635-800# \$21.00-21.75; 185 Good and Choice 850-950# \$19.00-20.50.

Heifers: California - 1,200 Good and Choice 550-725# \$20.00-21.00. Stock calves: 360 Choice and Fancy 450# with steers \$26.00, heifers \$23.00; 475 Good and Choice 450-550# with steers \$24.00-25.00, heifers \$22.00.

Slaughter spring lambs: 20 loads Choice and Prime 95-105# woolled \$17.00-17.50; 45 loads Choice and Prime 90-116# shorn with No. 1-3 pelts \$16.00-17.00; 2 loads Choice 115-120# shorn with No. 2-3 pelts \$15.00-15.50.

COLORADO, SOUTHERN WYOMING, WESTERN KANSAS AND WESTERN NEBRASKA - Trading on slaughter cattle direct at the feedlots moderately active. Slaughter steers were unevenly steady to 50¢ lower, mostly 25-50¢ lower. Slaughter heifers sold mostly steady, instances 25¢ lower on weights over 1000#. In Colorado, 130 loads low to high-Choice 1075-1225# slaughter steers \$21.75-23.25, late sales mostly \$22.00-22.90; couple loads mostly Choice 1250-1265# \$21.65-21.75; 10 loads high-Good and Choice 1150-1250# \$21.00-22.00. On the Western Slope, 6 loads average and high-Choice 1100-1175# brought \$22.35, 2 loads Choice 1250-1400# \$20.00-20.50, these going to California buyers. Colorado packers were scouring the area for Choice slaughter heifers under 950# and 34 loads mostly average-Choice 840-925# sold at \$23.25-23.85; 130 loads low and average Choice 890-1050# \$22.00-23.25, mostly \$22.50-23.25. Wyoming: 2 loads average and high-Choice 1125# slaughter steers \$23.00; 4 loads average and high-Choice 1025-1075# slaughter heifers \$22.70-23.25, the \$22.70 price f.o.b. feedlot; 4 loads Cutter and Utility 925# slaughter cows \$14.00. Western Nebraska: 10 loads low and average-Choice 1100-1150# slaughter steers \$22.25-23.25, mostly \$23.00-23.25 delivered Colorado packers; 5 loads average-Choice 940# slaughter heifers \$23.25.

Direct trading on stocker and feeder cattle in this trade area at virtual standstill with the small supply that is changing hands, doing so at the various auctions.

Colorado packers were active in other trade areas for slaughter lambs with which to maintain their killing operations. Western Kansas: Few loads Choice 95-100# shorn old-crop slaughter lambs \$14.50-14.75. Colorado: Few Choice and Prime shorn California spring lambs No. 2 pelts \$18.00. Load Choice 95# old-crop shorn lambs No. 1 pelts \$14.00.

NEW MEXICO, WEST TEXAS, WESTERN OKLAHOMA, SOUTHWESTERN KANSAS - Clovis area - First general moisture received since late March. Slaughter cattle trading direct at area feedlots fairly active. Slaughter steers 25-50¢ lower, heifers steady to weak. Stockers

and feeders slow, steady.

Slaughter steers: Texas - Mostly Choice 1175-1300# \$22.00; Good and Choice 1050-1280# \$21.15-22.50. New Mexico: Mostly Choice, 1034# \$23.25 delivered; Good and Choice 965-1025# \$22.35-22.75.

Slaughter heifers: Good and Choice 680-925# \$20.00-23.25.

Stockers and feeders: 900 Good 475# stock steers \$23.00; 1,100 Medium 600-650# \$19.50-20.00; Choice 377# steer calves \$28.00.

Lambs: Moderately active, steady. Texas: 3,000 Choice and Prime 80-90# slaughter spring lambs \$17.00; 200 Choice 80-90# in New Mexico \$16.50. Choice and Fancy 65-75# spring feeders \$13.00, 4,000 Choice 60-73# \$11.50-12.00.

Amarillo Area - Slaughter steers: Steady; mixed Good and Choice 1000-1100# \$21.00-21.50.

Slaughter heifers: Steady, Good and Choice 700-960# heifers \$21.00-22.50.

Stockers and feeders: Firm; 300 Choice 800# feeder steers \$22.50, 900 Medium and Good 750-850# \$19.90-21.00. Good to mostly Choice 609-700# heifers \$21.50-22.00.

IDAHO, OREGON AND WASHINGTON - Slaughter steers and heifers moderately active, steady, instances 25¢ higher; stockers and feeders steady; slaughter spring lambs steady.

Slaughter steers: Washington - Choice 975-1075# \$23.00-23.75, 1075-1300# mostly \$22.00-22.50; Idaho - Good to mostly Choice 1025-1250# \$21.00-23.00.

Slaughter heifers: Washington - Choice 800-1000# \$22.25-23.00; Good to mostly Choice 850-900# \$22.00. Idaho - Choice 800-1000# \$21.50-22.00; Good 825# \$20.50.

Stockers and feeders: Washington - Good and Choice 585# steers \$22.00, 550# heifers \$21.00; Idaho - Large string Choice 850# 2-year-old feeder steers \$21.00. Oregon - Good and Choice 350# mixed stock calves, \$25.00 for steers, \$22.00 for heifers, November delivery.

Slaughter spring lambs: Washington and Oregon - Choice and Prime 85-100# \$15.00-15.75. Idaho - Choice and Prime 95-102# range spring lambs \$17.25-17.50.

MONTANA AND NORTHERN WYOMING - Cattle, Montana: Steady; 75 high-Good and Choice 980-1050# slaughter steers \$22.00. Good stock cows with calves at side \$200.00-210.00 per pair. Steady on moderate number for fall delivery; Choice calves, steers expected to weigh 380-460# \$25.50-26.50; heifers 360-425# \$23.50-24.00; Choice and Fancy 375-400# steer calves \$27.80, heifers \$25.00.

Sheep: Southern Montana, Good to mostly Choice feeder lambs for fall delivery \$13.50.

Wool: Steady to weak. Northern Wyoming: Near 90,000# fine wool \$1.05-1.10 clean basis, landed Boston; few Montana reputation clips fine and long staple 37¢ grease basis f.o.b. range or loading point. Few large Northern Wyoming clips of 1/2 blood and fine 32-40¢.

WEEKLY RECEIPTS OF SALABLE LIVESTOCK AT 12 PUBLIC MARKETS

Market	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	June 17	June 18	June 17	June 18	June 17	June 18	June 17	June 18
	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
Chicago	38,842	43,114	364	400	32,335	32,887	3,546	3,464
Cincinnati	2,931	3,754	653	777	9,234	9,860	868	912
Denver	9,445	11,288	43	100	4,650	5,028	5,594	10,100
Fort Worth	11,634	13,869	1,074	1,948	1,810	2,997	19,742	20,688
Indianapolis ..	7,214	7,191	927	1,266	26,365	29,653	1,711	2,157
Kansas City ...	18,722	17,844	374	750	20,410	17,783	5,986	8,560
Oklahoma City .	7,992	10,604	503	1,036	2,211	2,564	2,621	2,700
Omaha	40,093	39,222	1,089	854	42,551	37,847	9,187	10,662
St. Joseph	16,075	16,297	365	1,024	25,885	28,722	8,796	5,433
St. Louis NSY .	14,841	16,283	1,597	2,304	49,501	63,202	4,112	4,117
Sioux City	26,775	24,253	1,203	1,586	36,153	28,534	6,768	5,542
S. St. Paul ...	21,096	18,988	3,990	4,278	41,837	38,283	6,783	5,212
Total	215,660	222,707	12,182	16,323	292,942	297,360	75,714	79,547
" June 10, 1961	216,992		12,689		338,752		98,405	

INTERIOR IOWA AND SOUTHERN MINNESOTA -		June 17, 1961	June 10, 1961	June 18, 1960
Hogs		295,000	297,000	260,000*
Revised Sheep		14,300	15,200	16,600

STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER

	Week ended			Month		Five months	
	June 15	June 8	June 16	May	May	Jan.-May	
	1961	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
Steers - 1001# up	402	497	196	3,087	2,825	15,600	14,393
901-1000	1,098	1,892	1,040	8,641	7,661	42,470	43,466
801-900	3,314	3,634	2,556	13,253	14,681	66,915	68,741
701-800	2,656	3,801	2,504	21,578	20,038	85,767	87,599
501-700	6,070	7,451	7,938	44,901	59,830	229,195	220,349
Total steers 10 markets....	13,540	17,275	14,234	91,460	105,035	439,947	434,548
Av. wt. " " "	728#	732#	697#	719#	700#	714#	718#
Av. cost* " " "	\$21.92	\$22.18	\$22.70	\$22.44	\$24.34	\$23.82	\$24.46
" " " Chicago	22.03	22.05	24.23	22.22	25.06	22.97	24.35
" " " Kansas City...	21.85	22.27	23.57	23.06	25.38	23.34	24.68
" " " Omaha	22.51	22.52	24.15	22.72	25.14	23.90	24.69
" " " S. St. Paul...	21.78	21.25	23.46	20.85	23.33	21.63	23.25
" " " Sioux City....	23.78	23.61	24.16	23.48	25.95	25.40	25.75
" " " Denver	21.98	22.22	23.29	22.61	24.49	24.68	24.96
" " " Ft. Worth	18.90	21.37	20.13	21.43	21.70	22.72	23.04
" " " Oklahoma City.	21.57	21.68	20.82	21.36	22.31	22.83	23.03
" " " S. St. Joseph.	22.24	22.38	23.01	23.32	24.56	23.91	24.28
" " " St. Louis NSY.	21.26	22.07	22.08	22.15	24.32	22.75	23.81
Total calves - 10 markets..	6,612	7,936	12,258	34,752	35,222	197,361	183,344
" heifers " " "	1,867	2,459	3,257	13,166	14,535	63,567	64,970
" cows " " "	386	780	416	2,670	2,161	14,173	12,850

* Not adjusted for differences in grade of cattle sold at each market.

ESTIMATED PERCENT OF STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE AND SLAUGHTER COWS IN SALABLE RECEIPTS

Week ended	Chi- cago	Kan- sas City	S. Omaha St. Joseph	St. Louis NSY	Sioux City	S. St. Paul Indianapolis	Den- ver	Ft. Worth	Okla. City	Wich- ita	San Antonio
Stockers and feeders											
June 16, 1961	1	30	8	10	9	18	5	5	65	58	30
June 9, 1961	1	28	9	11	10	20	5	6	7	65	55
June 17, 1960	2	41	12	10	6	18	3	7	10	65	71
Slaughter cows											
June 16, 1961	2	8	8	5	9	5	18	11	10	24	12
June 9, 1961	2	9	8	5	11	5	20	10	12	30	11
June 17, 1960	5	12	8	7	11	6	17	6	18	25	14

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER 1/

Grade	Number of head		Percent of total by grades		Average weight (pounds)		Average price in dollars per 100 lb.	
	Week ended							
	June 15 1961	June 16 1960	June 15 1961	June 16 1960	June 15 1961	June 16 1960	June 15 1961	June 16 1960
CHICAGO								
Prime.....	3,880	1,232	12.6	3.8	1,245	1,237	23.31	29.10
Choice.....	19,905	21,812	64.8	67.4	1,198	1,175	22.29	26.26
Good.....	5,536	8,389	18.0	25.9	1,143	1,063	21.42	24.28
Standard.....	845	735	2.8	2.3	1,048	1,035	20.05	21.14
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	530	200	1.8	.6	1,042	960	18.94	19.66
All grades.....	30,696	32,368			1,187	1,144	22.17	25.76
OMAHA								
Prime.....	106	175	.5	.9	1,147	1,204	22.70	26.76
Choice.....	11,180	8,984	53.8	43.8	1,170	1,168	21.68	25.36
Good.....	7,581	9,772	36.4	47.6	1,108	1,089	20.80	23.78
Standard.....	1,677	1,334	8.1	6.5	1,122	1,104	18.93	19.89
Utility.....	247	248	1.2	1.2	1,011	977	17.93	18.26
All grades.....	20,791	20,513			1,141	1,124	21.11	24.22
SIOUX CITY								
Prime.....	50	81	.5	.6	1,032	1,285	23.30	26.88
Choice.....	7,409	6,581	52.2	52.2	1,166	1,187	21.76	25.18
Good.....	5,381	5,022	37.9	39.8	1,164	1,098	20.85	23.97
Standard.....	1,340	762	9.4	6.1	1,069	1,069	18.87	19.54
Utility.....	--	161	--	1.3	--	959	--	17.41
All grades.....	14,180	12,607			1,156	1,142	21.16	24.33
KANSAS CITY								
Prime.....	21	--	.2	--	1,062	--	22.76	--
Choice.....	4,144	2,948	45.9	46.7	1,114	1,119	22.14	25.83
Good.....	4,315	2,711	47.9	42.9	1,066	1,010	21.30	24.51
Standard.....	474	567	5.3	9.0	1,031	990	19.01	20.77
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	67	89	.7	1.4	1,009	869	17.47	17.90
All grades.....	9,021	6,315			1,086	1,057	21.56	24.77
ST. LOUIS NSY								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	969	814	13.7	14.4	1,042	1,080	22.64	25.97
Good.....	4,794	4,013	68.0	70.8	1,048	1,024	21.38	24.35
Standard.....	990	512	14.0	9.0	937	966	20.06	21.95
Commercial.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility.....	298	330	4.3	5.8	966	974	18.83	19.86
All grades.....	7,051	5,669			1,028	1,024	21.28	24.14
S. ST. JOSEPH								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	4,101	3,694	45.9	44.0	1,159	1,133	21.99	25.37
Good.....	4,356	4,002	48.7	47.6	1,109	1,074	21.08	23.86
Standard.....	484	689	5.4	8.2	1,071	1,059	18.87	20.22
Utility.....	--	19	--	.2	--	841	--	18.00
All grades.....	8,941	8,404			1,130	1,098	21.39	24.25
DENVER								
Prime.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice.....	4,182	3,163	79.0	68.6	1,170	1,165	22.16	25.78
Good.....	1,051	1,274	19.8	27.6	1,129	1,068	21.33	24.60
Standard.....	63	168	1.2	3.7	1,009	1,008	18.68	18.90
Utility.....	--	4	--	.1	--	1,188	--	17.50
All grades.....	5,296	4,609			1,160	1,132	21.96	25.24

1/ Data collected by Statistical Reporting Service, and Livestock Division, A. M. S.

WEEKLY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION AT MAJOR CENTERS

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City or Area	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	June 17	June 18	June 17	June 18	June 17	June 18	June 17	June 18
	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
Boston, New York City Area	12,865	12,510	10,853	9,322	39,780	46,916	39,027	36,750
Baltimore, Philadelphia	8,270	8,512	2,088	2,016	27,276	21,351	4,131	3,710
Cin., Cleve., Detroit, Indpls .	20,048	21,371	4,306	5,757	107,097	114,488	16,009	13,926
Chicago Area	18,623	17,187	4,362	6,542	37,390	34,247	6,899	4,739
St. Paul- Wisc. Areas	29,888	29,685	10,527	14,499	91,281	89,730	10,303	8,462
St. Louis Area	12,105	11,746	1,596	1,836	70,769	72,181	5,252	5,243
Sioux City-So. Dakota Area	30,410	24,460	--	--	92,454	80,550	12,042	13,322
Omaha Area	42,272	38,015	97	143	77,708	65,841	14,084	11,496
Kansas City	17,515	15,012	--	--	31,470	29,035	--	--
Iowa - So. Minnesota	29,049	33,596	1,817	5,910	219,985	246,053	25,559	26,146
Lou'1, Evan'1, Nash'1, Mph's ...	7,277	7,054	3,071	5,121	48,777	50,889	--	--
Georgia, Florida, Ala. Area ...	9,439	7,879	5,279	5,129	22,671	23,990	--	--
St. Jo'ph. Wichita, Okla. City.	19,767	20,527	753	1,331	43,717	41,274	11,877	8,800
Ft. Worth, Dallas, San Antonio.	14,234	13,396	3,975	5,484	13,630	13,878	45,458	31,154
Denver, Ogden, Salt Lake City .	23,598	21,883	110	211	15,579	14,864	25,108	18,771
Los Angeles, San Fran. Areas ..	27,427	26,468	1,679	1,181	29,974	24,742	40,619	33,796
Portland, Seattle, Spokane	8,814	8,539	216	378	16,020	13,232	13,062	11,402
Total	331,601		50,729		985,578		269,430	
		317,840		64,860		983,261		227,717
Accumulation to date	7,307,915		1,468,331		26,255,217		6,413,601	
		7,107,843		1,601,745		28,321,653		5,701,816

ESTIMATED FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER AND MEAT PRODUCTION

Week ended	Beef		Veal		Pork (excl. lard)		Lamb and mutton		Total	Total
	Num-	Prod.	Num-	Prod.	Num-	Prod.	Num-	Prod.	meat	lard
	ber	mil.lb.	ber	mil.lb.	ber	mil.lb.	ber	mil.lb.	prod.	prod.
June 17, 1961	405	242.2	85	11.0	1,160	166.8	295	13.6	433.6	--
June 10, 1961	405	242.2	90	11.7	1,230	176.1	300	13.8	443.8	--
May 27, 1961 1/.....	382	--	80	--	1,171	--	283	--	--	39.9
June 18, 1960 1/.....	393	230.8	91	12.0	1,147	162.3	249	11.3	416.4	40.1

Percentage change from:

June 10, 1961	0	0	-6	-6	-6	-5	-2	-1	-2	--
June 18, 1960	3	5	-7	-8	1	3	18	20	4	--

Week ended	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs		Lard yield per 100 lb.
	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	
	2/		2/		2/		2/		
June 17, 1961	1040	598	235	129	250	144	95	46	--
June 10, 1961	1040	598	235	130	249	143	96	46	--
May 27, 1961	1040	599	230	129	248	144	97	47	--
June 18, 1960	1023	587	237	132	245	141	94	45	14.3

1/ Actual slaughter. 2/ Excludes lard.

CATTLE: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification	Chicago		Kansas City		Omaha		Denver		North Portland	
	June	June	June	June	June	June	June	June	June	June
	17	18	17	18	17	18	17	18	17	18
	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
<u>Slaughter cattle, calves and vealers</u>										
Steers -										
Prime 900-1100#	23.85	29.00	--	--	23.38	27.65	--	--	--	--
1100-1300	23.60	29.72	--	--	23.12	27.82	--	--	--	--
Choice 900-1100	22.82	26.22	22.75	26.22	22.38	25.85	22.52	25.80	23.88	27.38
1100-1300	22.30	26.45	22.58	26.22	22.12	25.75	22.22	25.98	22.88	26.50
Good 900-1100	21.45	23.48	21.45	23.82	20.88	23.10	20.45	22.55	22.62	25.50
Standard - All wts.	20.22	21.38	19.25	20.52	19.00	19.98	18.50	19.05	20.25	22.50
Heifers -										
Choice 700-900#	22.98	25.75	22.68	25.55	22.65	25.75	23.00	25.45	22.88	25.75
Good 600-800	--	--	21.42	23.08	21.12	23.15	20.78	22.28	21.25	24.25
Standard - All wts.	19.50	20.75	19.00	20.00	19.00	19.68	18.25	18.60	18.50	21.50
Cows - All weights -										
Commercial	16.50	17.65	17.25	18.75	16.92	17.55	--	17.78	15.25	17.75
Utility	16.62	17.15	16.38	16.58	16.38	16.58	16.95	16.48	14.50	16.25
Cutter	16.50	16.98	15.75	15.52	15.75	15.35	16.00	14.92	13.50	13.75
Canner	15.25	15.42	14.88	13.62	14.88	14.40	14.50	13.60	12.25	11.25
Bulls - All weights -										
Commercial	19.30	21.25	18.00	19.00	19.25	18.80	--	--	--	--
Utility	19.80	20.50	18.38	19.00	19.12	18.60	19.50	19.75	20.75	21.25
Calves - 500# down -										
Choice	--	--	23.00	23.50	--	--	--	--	--	--
Good	--	--	21.25	22.00	--	--	--	--	--	23.75
Standard	--	--	18.50	19.00	--	--	--	--	--	20.75
Vealers - All wts. -										
Choice	--	29.60	27.50	25.10	28.00	26.50	--	--	25.00	27.00
Good	--	27.10	24.00	23.00	24.75	23.75	--	--	23.00	25.00
Standard	--	21.90	20.00	20.50	21.50	21.00	--	--	20.00	22.25
<u>Stocker and feeder cattle and calves</u>										
Steers -										
Choice 500-800#	26.50	27.50	25.72	26.75	26.12	26.90	25.50	27.50	--	25.75
Good 500-800	24.00	24.50	23.15	24.38	23.50	24.38	22.75	24.75	--	23.75
Medium 500-1000	20.75	21.75	20.60	20.50	20.50	20.75	19.75	21.25	--	20.50
Heifers -										
Choice 500-750#	--	--	23.55	23.75	23.50	24.30	23.75	25.12	--	24.00
Med. & Gd. 500-750	--	--	20.75	20.00	19.75	20.25	20.50	22.25	--	19.75
Cows - All wts. -										
Med. & Gd.	--	--	16.50	16.50	16.25	15.25	16.00	--	--	--
Calves - 300-500# -										
Steers -										
Good & Choice	--	--	27.65	28.50	28.25	28.75	29.25	--	--	26.25
Heifers -										
Good & Choice	--	--	24.90	25.25	26.00	25.75	27.50	--	--	24.25

HOGS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

	Chicago	Interior	St. Louis	Omaha	Indianapolis	St. Joseph	Kansas City	Peoria
Classification	June : 1961	June : 1960	June : 1961	June : 1960	June : 1961	June : 1960	June : 1961	June : 1960
Barrows and gilts -								
U. S. No. 1 & 2								
180-200#	17.68	17.53	17.14	17.44	16.78	17.12	16.80	17.12
200-220	17.52	17.63	17.14	17.46	17.05	17.44	17.05	17.26
220-240	17.15	17.50	17.06	17.40	17.08	17.44	16.88	17.25
U. S. No. 2 & 3								
200-220	16.92	17.21	16.88	17.00	16.45	16.91	16.42	16.68
220-240	16.65	17.00	16.74	16.85	16.45	16.91	16.32	16.68
240-270	16.25	16.50	16.31	16.28	16.10	16.68	16.02	16.52
U. S. No. 1, 2 & 3								
180-200	17.00	17.28	16.99	17.12	16.48	16.75	16.92	17.28
200-220	17.30	17.40	16.29	16.65	16.99	17.12	17.05	17.28
220-240	16.90	17.22	16.05	16.54	16.88	16.98	16.75	17.21
240-270	16.38	16.68	15.61	16.14	16.44	16.45	16.22	16.55
Sows - U.S. 1, 2 & 3								
270-330	--	--	14.10	14.79	14.75	15.02	14.82	14.92
330-400	14.20	14.48	13.60	14.28	14.50	14.60	14.31	14.40
400-550	13.28	13.65	12.71	13.36	13.80	13.62	13.62	13.60
Classification	St. Paul	Sioux City	Sioux Falls	Cincinnati	Fort Worth	Thomasville	Baltimore	North Portland
Barrows and gilts -								
U. S. No. 1 & 2								
180-200#	16.92	17.18	16.68	17.24	--	16.98	17.32	18.25
200-220	16.92	17.60	16.98	17.47	16.62	16.98	17.32	18.38
220-240	16.92	17.60	16.98	17.46	16.66	16.98	17.32	--
U. S. No. 2 & 3								
200-220	16.52	17.10	16.58	17.22	16.50	16.34	16.35	16.58
220-240	16.50	17.10	16.55	17.14	16.41	16.34	16.35	16.58
240-270	15.92	16.65	16.12	16.80	16.85	16.12	15.65	16.08
U. S. No. 1, 2 & 3								
180-200	16.55	16.78	16.50	17.15	--	16.45	16.70	18.00
200-220	16.55	17.10	16.68	17.28	16.25	16.59	16.45	16.70
220-240	16.50	17.10	16.64	17.28	16.25	16.41	16.45	16.70
240-270	16.02	16.65	16.30	16.94	16.25	15.81	--	17.50
Sows - U.S. 1, 2 & 3								
270-330	15.08	15.72	14.78	15.24	14.81	13.69	13.50	13.50
330-400	14.25	14.75	14.20	14.78	14.50	12.94	13.12	13.00
400-550	13.45	13.50	13.42	13.90	14.25	12.19	12.75	12.25
Feeder pigs - All wts.								
Good and Choice	16.15	15.80	15.50	16.78	--	--	--	--

HOGS: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER OF PACKER AND SHIPPER PURCHASES ^{1/}

		St.	Louis	Kansas	Sioux	S. St.	S. St.	Indian-	Eight	
Week ended		Chicago	Nat'l.	City	Omaha	City	Joseph	Paul	apolis	mchts. com- bined
		Yards								
AVERAGE COST -		Dollars per 100 pounds								
Barrows and gilts	June 17, 1961	16.42	16.74	16.25	16.36	16.23	16.32	15.90	16.77	16.39
	June 10, 1961	16.47	16.68	16.02	16.09	16.09	16.08	15.93	16.72	16.28
	June 18, 1960	16.66	16.88	16.72	16.77	16.84	16.74	16.69	17.05	16.81
Sows	June 17, 1961	13.33	13.80	13.70	14.03	13.85	13.91	13.88	13.31	13.77
	June 10, 1961	13.57	13.60	13.73	13.89	13.69	13.84	13.95	13.52	13.76
	June 18, 1960	13.67	14.05	13.62	14.10	14.33	13.96	14.20	13.67	14.01
AVERAGE WEIGHT -		Pounds								
Barrows and gilts	June 17, 1961	240	220	233	241	242	235	245	229	235
	June 10, 1961	242	221	237	243	243	238	244	232	237
	June 18, 1960	238	218	227	242	242	230	241	228	231
Sows	June 17, 1961	437	432	440	407	398	410	380	468	412
	June 10, 1961	447	437	431	414	413	417	392	464	419
	June 18, 1960	430	398	426	404	400	404	387	445	407
NUMBER OF HEAD -										
Barrows and gilts	June 17, 1961	23760	43587	18192	32033	28600	22216	24462	21067	213917
	June 10, 1961	29227	48178	16530	38493	35324	25884	30677	27128	251441
	June 18, 1960	24001	57178	16135	29271	22195	25501	22670	24672	221623
Sows	June 17, 1961	4673	3354	1480	7960	5917	2451	9416	3364	38615
	June 10, 1961	3943	4244	1205	7706	6992	2928	10092	3700	40810
	June 18, 1960	4546	4409	1143	5914	4617	2088	7798	3651	34166
SOWS -		Percentage of total								
June 17, 1961		16	7	8	20	17	10	28	16	15
June 10, 1961		12	8	7	17	17	10	25	12	14
June 18, 1960		16	7	7	17	17	8	26	13	13

^{1/} Weighted average.AVERAGE WHOLESALE VALUE OF HOG PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM 100 LB. LIVE HOG,
COMPARED WITH PRICES OF LIVE HOGS, CHICAGO

Week ended	Hog products ^{1/}	Hog prices ^{2/}	Gross spread or margin ^{3/}
June 17, 1961	\$18.37	\$17.30	\$1.07
June 10, 1961	18.67	17.16	1.51
June 18, 1960	18.77	17.40	1.37

^{1/} Value of all edible products, fresh basis (lard rendered) in 100 lb. of live hog computed from wholesale prices on carlot basis, Chicago, reported by National Provisioner daily market report.

^{2/} Mean of daily quotations on U. S. No. 1,2 and 3 hogs, 200-220# wt. Chicago.

^{3/} Difference between wholesale product value and hog prices.

HOG AND CORN PRICES AT CHICAGO AND HOG-CORN PRICE RATIO

Week ended	Barrows and gilts ^{1/} Dollars per 100 pounds	Corn ^{2/} No.3 yellow Cents per bushel	Hog-corn price ratio based on barrows and gilts
June 17, 1961	16.42	111.3	14.8
June 10, 1961	16.47	113.6	14.5
June 18, 1960	16.66	120.5	13.8

^{1/} Weighted average. ^{2/} Simple average.

BOSTON WOOL MARKET REVIEW

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Trading on greasy domestic combing wools was dull in the Boston market with only an occasional car moved. Prices on fine wools held about unchanged with a slightly easier tone on medium wools. There were a few sales of mostly scoured shorn woolen wools and noils at about steady prices. Buyers continued active in Texas while a fair volume of bulk fine original bag wools was sold in Montana while trading was limited in the fleece wool States.

Midweek cables from Australia showed a poor selection of free wools as most offerings contained "B" and "C" fault. Japan was the principal operator as prices held about unchanged. Carpet type wools held firm in Argentina and trading was limited in Montevideo. The New Zealand and Cape auctions were closed for the season.

The Crop Reporting Board of the U. S. Department of Agriculture announced the average price received by farmers for wool on May 15, 1961 was 42.5¢ per grease pound. This compared to 41.1¢ for April 15, 1961 and 45.1¢ for May 15, 1960.

Fleece Wools - Original bag medium grade fleeces sold at 98¢ clean basis on a core test. Results of the final Pennsylvania County pools of bulk medium wools follow: Susquehanna 24,000 pounds 53.06¢, Sullivan 16,000 pounds 52.36¢, Crawford 62,000 pounds 52.23¢.

Territory Wools - Trading in the local market was very slow.

RANGE SALES FOLLOW: Montana - The Carbon County Pool of approximately 150,000# mixed fine, half and three-eighths sold at 40¢, grease basis, F.O.B. High Line area - About 64,000# bulk fine and half 41-44¢ while a car of bulk fine original bag wool sold at an estimated clean cost of \$1.10 delivered Boston. Around Great Falls 15,000# bulk fine and half-blood ranged from 36.75¢ for heavy shrinking to 40¢ for moderate shrinking wools. At Lewistown 40,000#, light shrinking, mixed fine, half and three-eighths 43.25¢; Deer Lodge and Dillon 55,000# fine and half-blood 43¢; Stanford, light shrinking bulk fine and half, edge of three-eighths 46.75¢; Glendive 11,000# bulk fine and half 41¢ and around Miles City 25,000# heavy shrinking bulk fine and half-blood at 38¢ and about 180,000# of moderate shrinking fine and half from 40-42.25¢, all grease basis, F.O.B.

Texas Wools - Original bag good French combing and staple length, 12 months Texas wool sold around \$1.22 while a modest weight of original bag wools sold in Texas around \$1.20-1.22 clean basis, delivered East.

Mohair - Original bag adult mohair was now priced at 86.5¢ to the warehouse while a fair weight sold recently at a low price of 81.5¢. Some kid hair alone sold at \$1.315 to the warehouse.

Foreign Wools - Spot Buenos Aires November 36/40s combing wools sold around 77¢ clean fibers present. Latest quotations showed the Australian

markets firm and unchanged. Cabled reports at week's end follow with combing wools converted to clean U. S. oil-combed yields and short wools to scouring yields, in bond.

Australia Oil-combed

77B	- \$1.17	421	- \$1.16
78B	- 1.15	422	- 1.15
78AB	- 1.13	423	- 1.09
79B	- 1.12	424	- 1.01

Montevideo Super-skirted

64s	- 98¢	58/56s	- 88¢
60/64s	- 95¢	56/50s	- 87¢
60s	- 92¢	50s	- 86¢
60/58s	- 90¢		

Carpet Wools - Spot carpet wools were slow to move. Some mills bought mostly New Zealand and some Buenos Aires carpet wools for September, October and November delivery. Greasy New Zealand carpet fleeces were offered at 78-79¢, early shorn second shear wools around 71-72¢ and type 702/3 crutchings at 68¢ while greasy Buenos Aires Nov. second clips were offered at 77-78¢, March second clips at 70¢, fleeces at 78-80¢ and 36/40s lambs wool at 74¢, all clean fibers present for shipment.

Woolen Wools - Sales follow:

<u>Scoured Pulled Domestic</u>	<u>Noils</u>
56/58s 1-1½" Gray 75¢	Clear Cape 64/70s
<u>Scoured Shorn Domestic</u>	Schlums. 75¢
56/58s Lambs Good color 91¢	Clear Dom. 56/58s
<u>Scoured Pulled Foreign</u>	Nobles 62¢
Aust. 64s 1½-2" Wh. \$1.18	Clear N.Z. 50s
<u>Scoured Shorn Foreign</u>	xbred Nobles 73¢
Cape 60s Locks & Pieces 96¢	

Wool Tops - The wool tops market continued slow with occasional small fill-in orders in all grades. Domestic fleece oil-combed 54s tops sold in fair quantity around \$1.37.

<u>Warp Aust. D/C</u>	<u>Warp Dom. D/C</u>
70s - \$1.95N	\$1.84
64s - 1.90N	1.74
62s - 1.87N	1.65
60s - 1.82N	1.58
58/60s - 1.78N	1.54
(N - Nominal)	

CLOSING FUTURES QUOTATIONS - June 15, 1961
(Furnished by the Wool Associates of the New York Cotton Exchange)

July Wool Tops	- \$1.60
October Wool Tops	- 1.595
64s Grade - 2.55" minimum length	
July Wool	- \$1.152
Oct. Wool	- 1.172
64s Grade - 2½" Ave. stretched length	

WHOLESALE MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

LESS THAN CARLOT MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

EASTERN SEABOARD - Steer beef prices were steady to \$2.00 lower, bulk off 50¢-\$1.00 with full decline at New York on Good carcasses upward of 800 #; cow beef steady to 50¢ higher; veal weak to \$4.00 lower and calf mostly \$2.00 off; spring lamb mostly steady, but weak at New York and Baltimore; pork loins steady to \$3.00 lower, the declines in the Washington-Baltimore area; spareribs steady to \$3.00 higher; other pork cuts steady to \$3.00 lower.

Kosher dressed steer forequarters were \$1.00 lower and kosher spring lamb foresaddles weak to \$1.00 lower with veal generally weak.

Supplies of beef, veal and lamb were normal with beef quite liberal at New York and Philadelphia and receipts of pork mostly moderate to normal. Hot, humid weather early in the week slightly retarded movement of meats as retailers reported a lull in consumer outlet. However, at mid-week fairly active trading prevailed with demand generally good. Beef moved best of the various classes, particularly loins and hindquarters, while chain buyers absorbed large number chucks on closing sessions. Beef clearance was fairly complete. Cow beef was very slow. Veal and calf met relatively poor outlet and prices were lower in most instances and clearance incomplete at New York. Lamb loins and ribs outsold chucks and legs while carcass sales were below normal. Spareribs moved readily but other pork cuts slow and under pressure for the most part. Pork was fairly well sold out at close.

CHICAGO - Beef mostly steady, veal fully \$1.00 lower, lamb and spring lamb steady, pork loins \$1.50-2.50 higher, Boston butts 4-8# unchanged, spareribs 3# down \$1.50-2.00 higher.

Beef, lamb and fresh pork supplies were normal for the period, Choice steer carcasses over 700# predominant in the beef division. Spring lambs which have been increasing in numbers the past several weeks represented the bulk of the lamb supplies. Veal supply moderate, more high Good and Choice on the market than most recently.

Carcass beef prices went unchanged but trading was generally slow, best action centering on cuts. Outlets were broad for hindquarters and equivalents Monday through Wednesday, forequarter meat particularly chucks were hard to sell. In the later trade chuck prices firmed as considerable demand developed for product for the following week. Second consecutive week of downturns on veal with trading slow. Moderate demand for carcass lamb. Ribs, loins and backs moved into most channels, but legs, stews and shoulders were slow, particularly legs weighing over 16# per pair. Fair demand for spareribs on

on each session, pork loins and Boston butts slow after Monday, however loins advanced. Current level on spareribs the highest since August 1958 and recently have sold above loins for the first time this year.

PACIFIC COAST - Steer and heifer beef sold unevenly, with Los Angeles weak to 50¢ lower, while the trend elsewhere was strong to 50¢ higher, most advance in the Northwest. Cow beef sold steady to 50¢ lower the greatest decline at Los Angeles. Calf and veal sold weak to \$2.00 lower. Spring lamb was steady to \$1.00 lower, the most downturn in Los Angeles. Spareribs sold strong to \$2.00 higher, while other fresh pork cuts ranged from \$1.50-\$3.00 lower. Bacon sold strong to \$1.00 higher, and other cured pork cuts weak to \$1.00 lower, some sales hams \$2.00 lower in the Northwest.

Normal supplies of steer and cow beef were usually adequate to plentiful for fair demand and trading was rather slow. Veal and calf supply normal, but demand narrowed seasonally. Lamb abundant with surplus from Northwest moving to east coast.

CARLOT MEAT TRADE REVIEWS

MIDWEST CARLOT DRESSED MEAT SUMMARY - Steer and heifer beef sold steady to mostly 50¢ lower, cow beef steady to \$1.00 higher, spring lamb steady to \$1.00 lower, limited sales old crop lamb \$1.00-1.50 off, pork loins \$1.00-1.50 higher, butts steady to 50¢ lower, hams steady, pork carcasses 20-35¢ higher.

Following prices f.o.b. plant basis.

Steer beef: Choice 600-700# closed at \$35.50-36.00, few \$36.50, 700-800# \$34.00-35.00, few \$35.50; Good 600-700# \$33.50-34.50, high-Good \$34.50-35.00, Good 700-800# \$33.00-34.00.

Heifer beef: Choice 500-700# \$35.00-35.50, few \$36.00; Good \$33.00-34.00, few 34.50.

Cow beef: Utility \$29.50-31.00, Canner and cutter \$30.50-32.00.

Spring lamb: Choice including some Prime 35-55# \$36.00-40.00, mostly \$36.00-37.25. Choice 35-55# old crop \$30.50-33.25.

Pork: Loins 8-12# \$39.00-40.50, butts 4-8# \$28.50-29.50, hams 12-16# \$36.00-37.50. U.S. 1, 2 and 3 135-155# pork carcasses \$23.80-24.75, 155-175# \$23.45-24.50.

CARLOT SUMMARY - Chicago, Denver, New York and Philadelphia. Steer and heifer beef sold steady to 50¢ lower at Chicago and 50¢-\$1.00 off at Denver; steer beef steady at Philadelphia, 25¢-\$1.00 off at New York; cow beef 50-75¢ higher except steady to 50¢ lower at Chicago; spring lamb steady to \$1.00 lower pork loins \$1.00-1.50 higher.

WHOLESALE DRESSED MEAT PRICES - LESS THAN CARLOT BASIS
Weekly average of daily quotations in dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		New York		Chicago		San Francisco		Los Angeles	
		June 17	June 18	June 17	June 18	June 17	June 18	June 17	June 18
		1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
Steer beef -									
Prime	700-800#	42.65	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice	600-700	40.20	44.50	38.25	43.38	39.00	45.00	38.38	43.88
	700-800	38.60	43.75	36.25	41.94	37.25	43.50	36.72	42.47
Good	500-600	37.80	42.25	36.00	41.00	38.50	43.50	37.38	42.00
	600-700	37.70	42.25	36.00	41.00	37.00	42.50	36.62	41.00
Heifer beef -									
Choice	500-600#	--	--	37.75	43.12	38.50	43.50	37.88	43.00
	600-700	--	--	37.75	43.12	--	43.00	36.66	41.50
Good	500-600	--	--	36.00	40.38	--	--	36.88	40.50
Veal -									
Prime	90-120#	58.20	58.00	55.25	54.25	--	--	--	--
Choice	90-120	48.20	49.30	48.25	49.25	--	--	--	--
Good	90-120	44.70	45.80	45.25	47.25	51.00	49.50	--	--
Spring lamb -									
Prime	45-55#	40.50	52.40	39.50	49.12	37.50	45.00	38.50	46.00
Choice	45-55	40.50	51.40	39.50	48.75	37.50	45.00	38.50	46.00
Fresh pork -									
Loins	8-12#	45.50	48.60	41.19	45.25	46.25	50.00	43.50	47.88
Butts	4-8	34.40	37.10	31.75	34.50	39.75	39.00	36.00	36.50
Spareribs	3# down	46.50	43.40	44.38	39.25	49.00	48.00	46.12	46.88
Cured pork -									
Hams, smk. skd. -(Cook before eating)	12-16#	44.00	47.00	43.25	50.50	45.25	50.00	43.12	50.00
Bacon, smoked, sliced - 1# package (box lots)		50.50	45.50	54.25	52.75	56.00	51.00	51.12	53.50
Picnics, smoked - (Cook before eating)	4-8#	32.00	32.00	33.75	33.25	34.25	32.00	35.00	33.00
Lard, 1# carton		15.50	14.00	14.12	12.75	18.00	17.50	16.75	15.47

BULK PRICES - CARLOT BASIS - WEEK ENDED JUNE 16, 1961

Classification		Prices paid F.O.B.			Prices delivered	
		Chicago	Denver	Omaha	New York	Philadelphia
Steer beef -						
Choice	600-700#	36.00-36.50	34.50-35.50	35.25-36.00	37.50-38.75	37.50-38.00
	700-800	35.00-35.50	33.50-34.50	33.75-34.25	36.50-37.50	36.50-37.00
	800-900	33.50-34.00	32.50-33.00	32.75-33.25	35.50-36.00	35.50-36.00
Good	500-600	34.50-35.00	--	--	35.50-37.00	--
	600-700	34.50-35.00	33.25-34.60	33.25-34.75	35.00-37.00	36.00-37.00
	700-800	34.00-34.50	33.25-34.60	32.75-33.75	35.00-36.00	35.50-36.50
Heifer beef -						
Choice	500-600#	35.50-36.00	37.50	35.00-35.50	--	--
	600-700	35.50-36.00	34.00-34.50	35.00-35.50	--	37.00-37.50
Good	500-600	33.50-34.50	--	33.00-33.25	--	--
	600-700	33.50-34.50	--	33.00-33.25	--	--
Cow beef - All weights -						
Utility		29.50-31.50	29.00-29.50	29.50-30.50	--	32.00-32.50
Canner and Cutter		31.00-32.00	--	30.00-31.50	--	32.00-32.50
Spring lamb -						
Prime	30-45#	39.00	--	--	40.00-42.00	40.00-41.00
	45-55	37.00-38.00	--	--	38.00-40.00	39.00-40.00
	55-65	35.00-37.00	--	--	36.00-38.00	--
Choice	30-45	39.00	35.50-37.00	36.25-37.25	40.00-42.00	40.00-41.00
	45-55	37.00-38.00	35.50-37.00	36.25-37.25	38.00-40.00	39.00-40.00
	55-65	35.00-37.00	--	--	36.00-38.00	--
Fresh pork -						
Loins	8-12#	39.50-41.00	--	39.00-40.50	--	41.00-41.50

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS OF MEATS AND LARD, MAY 31, 1961

June 1 stocks of beef, at 153 million pounds, were 8 percent above average and 3 percent more than the June 1, 1960 holdings. During May, stocks were reduced 1 million pounds, but in 1960, the May decline was 10 million pounds which also is the average loss for the month. A small gain in pork holdings brought June 1 stocks to 273 million pounds. According to the average change, stocks decrease this time of year by about 20 million pounds, but in 1961 as in 1960, holdings increased 3 million. Frozen pork increased 1 million to 235 million pounds and cured pork was up 2 million to 38 million pounds. For the date, holdings of pork were 23 percent below average and 29 percent below a year earlier.

UNITED STATES STORAGE HOLDINGS OF MEATS AND LARD, MAY 31, 1961 WITH COMPARISONS
(Includes holdings in public, private and semi-private
cold storage houses and meat packing plants)

Commodity	May 1956-60 av.	May 1960	April 1961	May 1961
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Beef:				
Frozen	130,172	138,206	143,781	141,626
In cure and cured	11,258	10,089	10,179	11,280
Total	141,430	148,295	153,960	152,906
Pork, frozen:				
Picnics	1/	19,812	3,806	3,623
Hams	1/	68,784	48,403	42,096
Bellies	1/	130,720	78,095	78,798
Loins	1/	1/	11,680	13,507
Jowls	1/	1/	9,876	10,494
Butts	1/	1/	5,673	6,228
Spareribs	1/	1/	10,367	8,909
Trimnings	1/	1/	19,139	21,187
Other pork	1/	120,535	46,649	50,042
Total	295,638	339,851	233,688	234,884
Pork in cooler:				
Dry salt bellies	1/	11,877	5,521	7,280
Other dry salt pork	1/	7,462	5,763	6,415
Other pork cuts	1/	27,101	24,820	24,680
Total	59,198	46,440	36,104	38,375
Total pork	354,836	386,291	269,792	273,259
Other meats and meat products:				
Veal, frozen	10,317	7,848	12,398	10,736
Lamb and mutton, frozen	10,284	9,943	22,033	24,212
Canned meats in cooler:				
Hams	2/ (76,313	2/ (81,900	46,860	49,302
Other meats	((23,718	21,388
Total all meats	593,180	634,277	528,761	531,803
Lard, rendered and refined 3/	145,141	149,800	153,100	4/
GOVERNMENT HOLDINGS 5/ -				
Pork	6,915	1,925	2,408	1,475
Beef	4,207	1,335	2,672	1,469

1/ No historical data available. 2/ Includes other canned meats. 3/ In dry and cold storage as reported by Bureau of Census. 4/ Not available. 5/ Government holdings are included in the totals and consist of reported stocks held by U. S. D. A., the Armed Services and other Government Agencies.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF MEATS

Commodity	Apr. 1961	Apr. 1960
	Pounds	Pounds
EXPORTS (Domestic) -		
Beef and veal -		
Fresh or frozen (except canned)	844,786	640,474
Pickled or cured (except canned)	1,600,867	1,699,938
Pork -		
Fresh or frozen (except canned)	2,845,851	443,035
Hams and shoulders, cured or cooked	362,245	1,618,216
Bacon	459,977	3,494,344
Pork, pickled, salted or otherwise cured, n.e.c..	1,114,319	1,134,552
Sausage, prep. sausage meats, etc. (ex. canned) ..	141,180	159,594
Other meat and meat products (except canned) n.e.c..	2,572	646,149
Beef and pork livers, fresh or frozen	4,054,480	3,186,355
Beef tongues, fresh or frozen	1,805,048	2,012,593
Other variety meats, (edible offal) ex. cnd. n.e.c..	2,534,576	1,892,976
Meat specialties, frozen, n.e.c.....	522,794	469,192
Canned meats -		
Beef and veal	136,422	299,427
Sausage, prep. sausage meats, etc. n.e.c.....	111,973	129,942
Hams and shoulders	13,596	32,317
Other pork, canned	80,431	355,793
Other meat and meat products, n.e.c.....	65,659	99,451
Lamb and mutton (except canned)	167,723	108,412
Lard (includes rendered pork fat)	26,065,092	56,153,974
Shortenings, chief wt. animal fat (excl. lard)	401,828	72,780
Tallow, edible	152,745	1,798,269
Tallow, inedible	120,632,613	158,571,048
Inedible animal oils, n.e.c.....	416,951	412,068
Inedible animal greases and fats, n.e.c.....	15,251,228	13,241,977

Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF LIVESTOCK

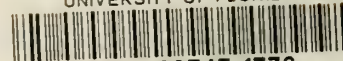
	Apr. 1961	Apr. 1960
	Number	Number
Cattle (for breeding) -		
Dairy	1,078	745
Ex. dairy	888	1,196
Other (ex. for breeding)	166	132
Hogs	1,356	436
Sheep	2,589	2,809

Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.

Number of Cattle and Calves from Canada and Mexico Passed for
Entry into the United States
April 1961, with comparisons
USDA - ARS - Animal Inspection and Quarantine Div.

Month and period	Canada	Mexico
	1961	1960
	Head	Head
Apr.	14,744	65,741
Jan.-Apr.	55,520	242,037

Note: During Jan.-Apr. this year 41 sheep and 9,970 hogs were received from Canada compared with 128 sheep and 9,962 hogs a year ago.



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SHEEP AND LAMBS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		Chicago	Omaha	Kansas City	Fort Worth	Denver	Ogden	North Port- land
SIAUGHTER LAMBS: (Spring) - All wts.								
Prime	June 17, 1961	19.75	18.60	18.28	--	18.96	17.75	15.69
	June 18, 1960	24.18	22.85	22.72	21.55	22.78	20.85	19.53
Choice	June 17, 1961	19.25	18.10	17.40	16.55	17.70	17.50	15.53
	June 18, 1960	23.68	21.95	21.28	20.80	21.45	20.10	19.53
Good	June 17, 1961	18.50	--	16.48	15.50	16.28	16.50	14.50
	June 18, 1960	22.65	20.52	19.42	19.70	19.82	19.00	18.59
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: (Shorn)- 105 lb. down								
Choice	June 17, 1961	15.50	14.52	--	12.05	--	--	--
	June 18, 1960	20.78	19.98	--	17.20	--	--	--
Good	June 17, 1961	14.50	12.98	--	11.25	--	--	--
	June 18, 1960	19.30	18.78	--	16.30	--	--	--
EWES: (Shorn) - All wts.								
Good &	June 17, 1961	4.50	3.88	3.00	--	4.62	4.50	2.50
Choice	June 18, 1960	6.10	5.38	4.62	--	5.38	5.00	4.25
Cull &	June 17, 1961	4.45	3.32	2.75	4.95	3.50	3.00	2.00
Utility	June 18, 1960	5.50	3.75	3.50	5.72	4.12	3.25	2.88
FEEDER LAMBS: - All wts.								
Good &	June 17, 1961	--	15.00	--	9.50	14.75	--	12.75
Choice	June 18, 1960	--	20.10	--	13.25	19.50	17.50	--